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SUBJ: IRISH PRIME MINISTER COSGRAVE'S OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE U.S.:

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES

1. I KNOW THAT OFFICERS IN THE DEPARTMENT DEALING WITH IRISH AFFAIRS ARE AWARE OF THE FOLLOWING, BUT I HOPE THESE POINTS WILL BE CALLED TO THE ATTENTION OF OTHER OFFICES AND AGENCIES INVOLVED IN THE COSGRAVE VISIT.

2. TOASTS, REMARKS AND CONVERSATION SHOULD NOT REFER TO EIRE. FOR EXAMPLE, LIAM COSGRAVE IS PRIME MINISTER OF IRELAND, THE IRISH PRIME MINISTER, OR THE TAOISEACH, NOT PRIME MINISTER OF EIRE OR PRIME MINISTER OF THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND.

3. DESPITE THE RELIGIOUS ASPECT TO THE TROUBLES IN THE NORTH OF IRELAND, THERE SHOULD BE NO HESITANCY IN MIXING PERSONS OF DIFFERENT RELIGIOUS FAITHS AT ANY OR ALL FUNCTIONS.

4. THE DEPARTMENT IS IN THE BEST POSITION TO TAKE A READING ON THE POSSIBILITY OF DEMONSTRATIONS OR GESTURES OF PROTEST FROM PROVISIONAL IRA ACTIVISTS AND SYMPATHIZERS, PARTICULARLY IN NEW YORK CITY. I HAVE A SUSPICION THAT

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THE PROVO SYMPATHIZERS, WHO DO NOT "RECOGNIZE" THE

PRESENT IRISH GOVERNMENT AND REFER TO IT AS THE "FREE STATE GOVERNMENT", MAY WELL USE THE COSGRAVE VISIT TO DRAW ATTENTION TO THEIR CAUSE AND EMBARRASS THE PRIME MINISTER. CURLEY

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